AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph 0015 of the specification with the following paragraph. No new matter is being submitted with this amendment.

[0015] The present invention is directed to an anchor assembly for the internal fixation of the spine. The anchor assembly in several embodiments provides a quick-connect head and quick-disconnect cam locking cap to allow surgeons the ability to quickly and simply lock the anchor assembly to spinal rods or other stabilization means. In other embodiments the anchor assembly provides the surgeon with a simple threaded head that can be timed with the saddle to prevent cross-threading. ~~of the~~

Please replace paragraph 0103 of the specification with the following paragraph. No new matter is being submitted with this amendment.

[**0103**] The apparatus 10 is used typically with a surgical rod 200 having an outer surface 201 and a length[[202]]. Any type of surgical rod is allowable for use. Typically, the rod will be a surgical grade stainless steel, titanium, titanium alloy, carbon fiber, memory metal, or other material suitable for implantation. The rod 200 is preferably cylindrical and may have texture or form on its outer diameter as well as a means for rotating the spine such as a hex on one or either end, flats along the rod, and so forth.

Please replace paragraph 0113 of the specification with the following paragraph. No new matter is being submitted with this amendment.

[**0113**] Similarly, second flange 420 has an upper portion 421 and a lower portion 422 akin to the upper portion 411 and lower portion 412 of the first flange 410. Upper portion 421 has a convex outer surface 423 and a concave inner surface 424, in a manner similar to that of surfaces 121, 122 of second flange 120 in the preferred non-polyaxial embodiment. Upper portions 411, 421 also preferably have a depression 408 akin ~~alein~~ to depression 108 in the non-polyaxial embodiment.